

TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371		ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER AVA-434.3P US U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 CFR 1.5) 10/581466 as assigned
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/US2004/041282	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE December 9, 2004	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED December 9, 2003
TITLE OF INVENTION ORALLY-ADMINISTERED LIVE BACTERIAL VACCINES FOR PLAGUE		
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Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:		
1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371. 2. <input type="checkbox"/> This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371. 3. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below. 4. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The US has been elected (Article 31). 5. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)) a. <input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been communicated by the International Bureau. c. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US). 6. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)). a. <input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto. b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 7. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)) a. <input type="checkbox"/> are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). b. <input type="checkbox"/> have been communicated by the International Bureau. c. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. d. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> have not been made and will not be made. 8. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)). 9. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)). 10. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)). Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included: 11. <input type="checkbox"/> An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. 12. <input type="checkbox"/> An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included. 13. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A preliminary amendment. 14. <input type="checkbox"/> An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76. 15. <input type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification. 16. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A power of attorney and/or change of address letter. 17. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821- 1.825. 18. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the published International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 19. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).		

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20. Other items or information: 1) International Search Report; 2) Written Opinion; 3) International Preliminary Report on Patentability; 4) Copy of ATCC Receipt of Deposit					
The following fees have been submitted				CALCULATIONS PTO USE ONLY	
21. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Basic national fee (37 CFR 1.492(a))..... \$300				\$ 300.00	
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<input type="checkbox"/> Additional fee for specification and drawings filed in paper over 100 sheets (excluding sequence listing in compliance with 37 CFR 1.821(c) or (e) or computer program listing in an electronic medium) (37 CFR 1.492(j)). The fee is \$250 for each additional 50 sheets of paper or fraction thereof.				0.00	
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Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing any of the search fee, examination fee, or the oath or declaration after the date of commencement of the national stage (37 CFR 1.492(h)).				\$	
CLAIMS	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE	\$	
Total claims	13 - 20 =	0	x \$ 50	\$ 0.00	
Independent claims	2 - 3 =	0	x \$200	\$ 0.00	
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S) (if applicable)			+ \$360	\$ 0.00	
TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =				\$ 600.00	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Fees above are reduced by 1/2.					
SUBTOTAL =				\$ 300.00	
Processing fee of \$130.00 for furnishing the English translation later than 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(i)).				\$	
TOTAL NATIONAL FEE =				\$ 300.00	
Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). \$40.00 per property				\$	
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1. Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) Transmittal Form PTO-1390 (3 pages);
2. Duplicate copy Transmittal Form PTO-1390 pages 2 & 3 fee calculation/authorization;
3. Copy of International Application as published (52 pages);
4. Preliminary Amendment (7 pages);
5. Power of Attorney - Unexecuted (1 page);
6. Copy of Executed Declaration of Inventorship (2 pages);
7. Computer Readable Form of Sequence Listing on Diskette and Paper Copy (9 pages);
8. Statement Under 37 C.F.R. §§1.821-1.825 (2 pages);
9. Copy of Written Opinion (5 pages);
10. Copy of International Search Report (3 pages);
11. Copy of International Preliminary Report on Patentability (5 pages);
12. Copy of ATCC Receipt of Deposit of Microorganism (1 page);
13. Check No. 6978 in the amount of \$ 300.00 to cover the national application filing fees; and
14. Return Receipt Postcard

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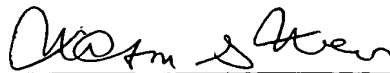
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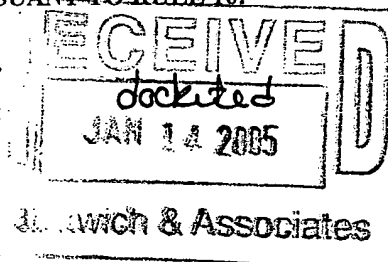
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AVANT Immunotherapeutics, Inc.
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Identification Reference by Depositor:

Patent Deposit Designation

Salmonella enterica containing plasmid pMEG-1621: M020
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Salmonella enterica containing plasmid pMEG-1692: M023
Salmonella enterica containing plasmid pMEG-1967: M048
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The deposits were accompanied by: a scientific description a proposed taxonomic description indicated above. The deposits were received December 2, 2004 by this International Depository Authority and have been accepted.

AT YOUR REQUEST: X We will inform you of requests for the strains for 30 years.

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Marie Harris, Patent Specialist, ATCC Patent Depository

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